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FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
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LICENCE FOR PRODUCING AND MARKETING OF DRINKS
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have given permit/licence for Coca- Cola(India) or Coke for producing and marketing of ready-to- drink tea, coffee, milk and juice in India; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM)

(a) & (b): Most food processing industries are delicensed and do not require Industrial Licence. Ministry of Food Processing Industries administers Fruit Products Order, 1955, which regulates condition of production of fruit products including fruit juices defined in the Order. The Fruit Products Order does not deal with tea, coffee and milk. MFPI has issued various licences to M/s Coca-Cola (India) under the Fruit Products Order but no licence has been issued for production or marketing of fruit juice in India.